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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 9, 2000 (Paper No. 12) in the abovereferenced patent application, please make the following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 3, 4, 8, 11, 17, 18, 20 and 23:

1. (Thrice Amended) A computerized method of [extracting] identifying a key frame from a video, comprising:

- a) providing a reference frame;
- b) providing a current frame different from the reference frame;
- c) determining a chromatic difference measure between the reference frame and the current frame;
- d) determining a structure difference measure between the reference frame and the current frame based, at least in part, on edges identified in each of the frames; [and]

